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THE WEATHER.
Fair, warmer Saturday; Sunday, fair, warmer in east portion; light east winds.

ENORMOUS FORTUNE FOR INSTITUTIONS

John Stewart Kennedy Left Twenty-five Million Dollars For Charity and Education.

HAMPTON NORMAL GETS ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND

Largest Gift of the Kind Ever Made Provided For in Will of One of America's Little Known Rich Men, Who Died Sunday—Plenty For Family, Relatives and Friends.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—John Stewart Kennedy, one of America's little known rich men, who died of whooping cough in his New York residence on Sunday last, left bequests of more than \$25,000,000 to religious, charitable and educational institutions in his will, filed for probate here today. The gift is the largest single contribution of its kind ever made and the beneficiaries include educational and church institutions, north, south, east and west in this country and several abroad, sixty in all.

Nearly half of the \$25,000,000 goes to institutions connected with the Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Kennedy was an active member. Other large beneficiaries include the American Bible Society, the Metropolitan Museum of Art; the New York Public Library, the New York United Charities, Columbia University, and Robert College, Constantinople.

Aside from these gifts Mr. Kennedy left approximately \$35,000,000 to his wife, his relatives and a great number of friends and employees.

Sixteen Million For Widow.
The widow's share will be about \$16,000,000. All of the testator's employees receive gifts of from \$500 to \$2,000 each.

The charitable, religious and educational institutions which receive the largest bequests are to share the residue of the estate left after definite gifts of approximately \$12,000,000 have been paid out.

Their shares are estimated by counsel for the executors as follows:

- Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, \$2,250,000.
- Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, \$2,250,000.
- Presbyterian Church Extension Fund, \$2,250,000.
- Presbyterian Hospital, New York, \$2,250,000.
- Robert College, Constantinople, \$1,500,000.
- Presbyterian Board of Aid for Colleges, \$750,000.
- Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, \$2,250,000.
- New York Public Library, \$2,250,000.
- Columbia University, \$2,250,000.
- United Charities, New York, \$1,500,000.
- American Bible Society, \$750,000.
- Charity Organization Society, New York, \$750,000.

\$100,000 For Hampton.
Among the numerous smaller gifts are the following: Yale College, \$100,000.

- University of Glasgow ("Where from my infancy I resided until I came to this country") \$100,000.
- Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, \$100,000.
- Hampton Normal School and Agricultural Institute, \$100,000.
- Anatolic College, Marsovan, Turkey, \$50,000.
- Syrian Protestant College, Beirut, Sicily, \$25,000.
- American School at Smyrna, Turkey, \$25,000.
- Center College, Danville, Ky., \$25,000.
- Berea College, Kentucky, \$50,000.
- Presbyterian Board of Relief for Disabled Ministers, \$20,000.

There are also numerous bequests from \$5,000 to \$25,000, generally to locate religious and charitable organizations.

In Sympathy With Institutions.
The long list of gifts is prefaced in the will by this paragraph: "Having been greatly prospered in

the business which I carried on for more than thirty years in this, my adopted country, and being desirous of leaving some expression of my sympathy with its religious, charitable, benevolent and educational institutions, I make these gifts."

Mr. Kennedy, whose death on Sunday occurred with only brief comment by the press, was one of the millionaire philanthropists whose gifts, though measured in millions, were made with as little glare of publicity as possible. As he gave quietly, so he had lived unostentatiously, and made his princely fortune with little blare of trumpets. Besides being a banker he was one of the country's chief builders of railroads, a patron of art and education and in his own quiet way, one of New York's foremost advocates of scientifically organized charity.

Great Benefactions Unknown.
Many of his great benefactions probably never were made public, but he figured in recent years as the giver of the \$800,000 home for the United Charities in this city; of \$1,000,000 to the Presbyterian Hospital; \$250,000 to the School of Philanthropy; \$500,000 to Columbia University and of \$400,000 to a nurses' home for the Presbyterian hospital.

Many, even among the well informed, had little idea as to the real wealth of the retired banker. On Wall street Mr. Kennedy had the reputation of keeping the largest cash balance in his bank accounts of any New York financier.

As banker and investor he always showed great interest in the development of the northwest.

COBB HAS NARROW ESCAPE.

Good Roads Auto Tourists Collide Near Atlanta.
ATLANTA, GA., Nov. 5.—"Ty" Cobb, of the Detroit baseball team, had a narrow escape from serious injury last night when his automobile was crashed into and partially wrecked by a car driven by Frank Zirbles, driver of the Pathfinder in the Journal-Herald good roads tour.

Both men were returning from the new automobile speedway and had reached the crest of a hill just before entering the city, when Cobb yelled to Zirbles as he dashed past him. The latter set out in pursuit and in attempting to go between Cobb's machine and a street car, swerved and struck Cobb's car with terrific force. Only great presence of mind saved both drivers.

FATAL AUTO WRECK IN NORTH CAROLINA

Young Harry Skinner, Who Attended School Here, One of Two Victims.

(By Associated Press.)
GREENVILLE, N. C., Nov. 5.—A fatal automobile wreck occurred near here late this afternoon the victims being E. G. Flannagan, J. T. Fleming, Harry Skinner, Jr., and S. C. Wooten, prominent citizens of Greenville, in trying to pass a lumber wagon. Mr. Flannagan who was driving the machine lost control and crashed with terrific force into a tree by the roadside. The machine turned a somersault.

Mr. Fleming was thrown on his head, breaking his neck and killing him almost instantly. Mr. Flannagan was caught under the machine and badly crushed, three ribs being broken and internal injuries sustained. Skinner's skull was fractured and he was otherwise badly injured. Mr. Fleming was state senator from Pitt county.

Skinner who was being rushed to a hospital in Richmond, Va., died before the train reached Wilson, N. C. The young man was the son of United States District Attorney Harry Skinner.

Went to School Here.
Young Skinner was a cadet at the Newport News Military Academy, which was conducted at that time by Col. E. W. Huffman, about ten years ago. Many friends and former schoolmates here will be grieved to hear of his death.

IMMENSE THROG GREET PRESIDENT

Picturesque Reception at Charleston After Busy Day at Savannah.

DISASTROUS SALUTE FROM BANK OF RIVER

Premature Discharge Blows Negro Cannoneer Into Water and Sends Ramrod Over Bow of Revenue Cutter With Mr. Taft Aboard—Senator Tillman Attends Banquet.

(By Associated Press.)
CHARLESTON, S. C., Nov. 5.—Arriving here at dusk this afternoon President Taft had one of the most picturesque receptions of his trip. At the head of a procession of automobiles and escorted by an imposing array of military, he passed through the principal business streets of the city under arches of electric lights that gave an illumination almost equal to day. The sidewalks held an immense throng and the President's passage from the union station to the home of Mayor Rhett, where he is spending the night, was marked by cheers.

Mr. Taft is no stranger to Charleston. He has been here five times in recent years. His reception tonight was a repetition of the welcomes the President had received elsewhere in the South.

Tonight he was the guest of honor at a banquet tendered to him by the city. It was arranged with especial regard to the President's comfort and the only set speeches were the introduction of the President by Mayor Rhett and the responses by Mr. Taft, in which he expressed his gratification at being in Charleston and his regret that he cannot make a longer stay. The President leaves tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock for Columbia and will reach Augusta, Ga., tomorrow night for a stay of two days.

Senator Tillman Present.
Governor Ansel and Senators Tillman and Smith arrived in Charleston today to assist in the welcome to the President and were among the guests of honor at the banquet tonight. This is the first Presidential reception in which Senator Tillman has participated in a good many years. Until Mr. Taft was inaugurated, Mr. Tillman had not even been a caller at the White House for a long, long time.

On his arrival the President was escorted to Citadel Green, the old parade ground of the South Carolina Military Academy, where the major portion of the military escort was drawn up. At Mayor Rhett's residence an informal reception was held before the banquet.

Disastrous Salute.
President Taft had a busy day in Savannah before leaving there at 2:30 p. m. for this city. During a morning sail down the river to Fort Screven he witnessed an accident in which it was thought at first two men had been killed. As it turned out one man, a negro, lost his arm, and another his eye. The two men were firing a salute to the President from a small cannon drawn up at the water front. A premature explosion occurred as the negro was ramming home a charge of powder, and in the cloud of smoke which followed the report of the cannon the President saw a man flying through the air. The man fell into the river. The ramrod, not being removed from the gun, shot across the bow of the revenue cutter Yamacraw on the deck of which the President was standing. Mr. Taft called attention to the accident at once. The man struggling in the water was rescued and the President was relieved to know there was no loss of life.

Spectacular Auto Ride.
The river trip ended, the President participated in a parade through the streets, where he was greeted by the entire population. He then went for an automobile ride over the prize race course.

In many ways his trip over the

course was one of the most spectacular rides the President ever had in an auto. The average speed for the twenty-five miles was 46 miles an hour and on the straight away stretches the speed of the President's car was held up to 48 miles an hour. Returning to his train from luncheon at the Thunderbolt casino, the President made a short dash at the rate of 52 miles an hour.

He made this speed over that portion of the course, however, where the grand prize cars reached more than 100 miles an hour. The record for the 100 miles of that race was 65.5 miles an hour which stands as the American road record.

The President was accompanied by Governor Joseph M. Brown, Mayor Tiedman of Savannah and Captain Butt, and with his gray automobile cap pulled down on his head, he seemed to enjoy the ride immensely. The chauffeur reduced speed but little in taking the sharply banked turns.

Speech to Orphans.
The automobile ride was interrupted for a few minutes at the Bethesda Orphan Home, where he made a little speech to the boys telling them there was no reason why anyone of them should not become President of the United States.

The President also stopped only to address a body of students from a negro school, and returning to the city he passed in review of all of the public schools of the city. With the enthusiastic cheers ringing in his ears he boarded his train for Charleston.

EXPLOSION DURING RUN

Accident Reduces Speed of the North Dakota

DELAWARE KEEPS RECORD

Fore River Company's Ship Makes Average Slightly Below That of Local Built "Dreadnaught" on Four-hour Forced Draft Test.

(By Associated Press.)
PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Nov. 4.—As the new battleship North Dakota was completing her four-hour endurance run at a 21 knot gait off the New England coast today with the battleship speed championship of America almost in her grasp, a boiler room accident robbed her of the laurels and sent her scurrying into this port to land four injured men. The big ship, nevertheless, exceeded her contract requirement of 21 knots an hour, making 21.71 in the first two hours, 21.64 in the third hour and 21 knots flat as she hurried in on the fourth hour to this port. The injured men are William H. Grange, water tender; John Souden, coal passer; A. Peterson, fireman, and Peter McConnell, fireman. Souden was badly scalded and when landed this afternoon was suffering intensely.

Developed 32,000 Horsepower.
On the first two hours of her trial today the North Dakota's developed 32,000 horsepower.

She was entering the fourth hour of her test when a seven inch tube in one of the lower rows of boilers blew out and killed the room with steam. The engineers immediately cut off four of the 14 boilers.

As soon as the extent of the injuries of the fireman had been ascertained the North Dakota was swung around and headed back up the coast for this port where it was known that a good harbor could be reached shortly after the expiration of the time limit.

All four of the injured men bravely urged the engineers to disregard their injuries and keep the battleship on her work.

With Ten Boilers.
Under the ten boilers 21 knots was maintained for the balance of the time and at 4 o'clock the North Dakota steamed into this harbor and sent the injured men ashore.

The defective tube was replaced and arrangements were made to leave at midnight for the 24-hour run at a speed of 19 knots an hour.

Delaware's Record Best.
The North Dakota's average speed during her four hours' forced draft run was slightly below that of her sister ship, the local built battleship Delaware. The Delaware maintained an average of 21.56 knots an hour during the four hours, while the North Dakota's average was 21.51.

The North Dakota's maximum speed for a single hour, however, exceeded that of the Delaware.

SOUTH THE PLACE FOR FARMERS NOW

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson Say's Dixie's Soil is Friendly to Nearly Every Product.

TENDENCY TO EDUCATE AWAY FROM THE FARM

Agricultural Schools Favored by Speaker—Address Before National Farmers Congress During Delegates' Visit to Durham—Ambassador Bryce Speaks at Trinity College.

(By Associated Press.)
DURHAM, N. C., Nov. 5.—"The place for the farmer now is in the south, where the soil is friendly to nearly every product of the country," declared Secretary Wilson, of the national department of agriculture, today in an address before the National Farmers Congress during its visit to Durham to inspect the tobacco factories here.

Secretary Wilson said he had nothing against the schools and colleges of the country, but that their tendency had been to educate away from the farms instead of towards them.

He expressed his sympathy with the man who proposed an agricultural school for every county, whether that school be an actual institution or merely a place where farmers meet and discussed farming.

Lure of Cities and the West.
"Of course the lure of the cities and the lands of the west call men away," he continued, "but the place for the farmer is in the south where the soil is friendly to nearly every product of the country. The abandonment of farms has been upon such a scale that the danger of reducing the country to an import rather than an export nation is evident."

Issue was taken with Mr. Wilson by a number of the New York delegates when he declared that in New York state sixty miles from Albany and twenty miles from Utica, every third house was untenanted. Secretary Wilson boasted of the freedom of his department from politics. He declared that of the 11,000 men under him he did not know the politics of 11 of them.

Mr. Bryce at Trinity College.
While Secretary Wilson, whose presence had not been expected, was addressing the farmers down town, Ambassador James Bryce, from Great Britain, was urging upon the students of Trinity College the necessity of cultivating friendships formed at college. He congratulated the south upon the number of men it sends to college for preparation for business as well as learned life.

He commented upon the similarity of the national anthem of Great Britain and the United States after both had been sung by the students. He said that men should study the growth of liberty and its re-birth in the British nation before America was discovered.

Mr. Bryce spent the whole afternoon in motoring over Durham roads. Owing to his late arrival he missed the meeting of the farmers this morning.

FARMER DELEGATES VISIT GREENSBORO

Ambassador Bryce Makes Addresses and Party Goes Through Cotton Mills.

(By Associated Press.)
GREENSBORO, N. C., Nov. 5.—This afternoon on a special train the delegates to the National Farmers Congress, now in session at Raleigh, and Hon. James Bryce, the British ambassador, arrived here.

Mr. Bryce was the guest of the State Normal and Industrial College and made a short address to the students and a large number of citizens.

The visiting farmers were taken to the White Oak cotton mills and shown through the mammoth mills at that place. Major Charles M. Steadman delivered an address of welcome and as the party had been shown the plants, Caesar Cone, president of the

mills, presented each visitor with enough denim to make a pair of overalls and with a unique souvenir of the mills.

Before reaching Greensboro, the delegates accompanied by Ambassador Bryce, spent a little more than three hours at Durham being given a hearty reception by the citizens of that place, the city having been gaily decorated for the occasion. The party was carried to the great tobacco factories located in Durham and shown through the establishments by the officials, who afforded the visitors every opportunity to thoroughly inspect all departments.

Warehouses and business concerns of all sorts were also visited and inspected. Ambassador Bryce spoke briefly before the faculty and students of Trinity College in the auditorium of that institution.

COMMITTEE NAMED TO REORGANIZE THE S. A. L.

Charged With Duty of Nominating Officers and Revising Company's By-laws.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Nov. 5.—The composition of the special committee of Seaboard Air Line directors who are charged with the task of nominating the executive officers of the road was made known today. It is as follows:

L. F. Lore, president, Delaware & Hudson; Y. Vandenberg and Ernest Thalmann, of the banking house of Ladenburg, Thalmann and Company; H. F. Yoakum, chairman of the board of the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad; S. Davies Wardlaw, president of the Continental Trust Company, of Baltimore; John S. Williams, president of the Georgia & Florida Railway; N. S. Meldrum, of the banking house of Blair and Company, of New York; Wallace B. Donham, vice-president of the O. J. Colony Trust Company, of Boston, and Franklin Q. Brown, vice-president of the Georgia & Florida Railway.

The committee will, it is expected, submit its recommendations to the directors at their meeting to be held on November 11.

Haas in Charge.

NORFOLK, VA., Nov. 5.—L. G. Haas is today in charge of the property and affairs of the Seaboard Air Line Railway following its delivery last night to the stockholders by receivers Wardlaw, Williams and Duncan. All officials heretofore reporting to Mr. Haas as agent for the receivers are directed by a circular issued today to report to him as "assistant to the chairman of the executive committee."

It is reported that Mr. Haas will be retained permanently under the reorganization as "executive officer."

CITY OF AUGUSTA AGROUND OFF TYBEE

Passengers of Ocean Steamship Liner Are Taken to Savannah by Revenue Cutter.

(By Associated Press.)
SAVANNAH, GA., Nov. 5.—Within a few rods of where the steamship Allegheny was burned more than a year ago the steamship City of Augusta, of the Ocean Steamship Company is aground off Tybee island at the mouth of Savannah river and repeated efforts of tugs to free her have been futile. The vessel ran aground early today.

The ship's passengers were taken from the vessel by the tug McCauley, and after being transferred to the revenue cutter Yamacraw, which had just put President Taft ashore they were brought to Savannah.

The City of Augusta was racing to Savannah from New York under orders to hurry to port. The McCauley was badly damaged in trying to pull the steamship into deep water.

ROBBERS STILL AT LARGE.

Believed to Have Escaped Into This Country With Loot.
(By Associated Press.)
NIAGARA FALLS, ONT., Nov. 5.—The two robbers who yesterday struck down Cashier Dobson, of the Canadian Express Company and escaped with \$14,000 in cash are still at large.

Night suspects rounded up were able to establish alibis and were released. The robbers evidently planned their escape with as much care as every other move in the daring robbery and are now believed to be across the border in the United States.

FLAMES SWEEPING MOUNTAIN FORESTS

Thousands of Acres of Valuable Timber Lands Already Have Been Laid Waste.

LOSS WILL BE ENORMOUS UNLESS RAIN FALLS SOON

Hunters Started Fire and It Has Raged Four Days in Great North, Massanutten and Blue Ridge—Town of McGaheysville Saved From Destruction—Hotels Burned.

(By Associated Press.)
WINCHESTER, VA., Nov. 5.—The forest fires in this section continue to rage fiercely and unless rain falls within the next few hours, the property loss will be enormous.

Thousands of acres of valuable timber land in the Great North Alleghenies have already been laid in waste and the flames are spreading in all directions. Started by hunters on Monday last, the fire has now raged for four days, in the Great North, Massanutten and Blue Ridge mountains.

The town of McGaheysville, Rockingham county, was threatened with destruction, and only late last night did the combined male population of the town succeed in checking the flames.

Hotels Destroyed.
The large hotel buildings at Black Rock Springs, in the Blue Ridge, near Groceries, were destroyed by the fire last night, together with 27 cottages on the property of the Black Rock Spring Company.

A number of cottages located on a tract adjoining the Black Rock Spring Company, were also burned. Orkney Springs is also in great danger and a number of cottages have been burned in this neighborhood.

Famous Old Church Saved.
In Page county, the famous Dunkard church, the oldest edifice in the county, was only saved after heroic work by the farmers. The western slopes of Maryland Heights at Harper's Ferry is also aflame.

Much Damage Near Roanoke.
ROANOKE, VA., Nov. 5.—Damage to the extent of many thousands of dollars has been done by forest fires which started on Mill Mountain, on the southern edge of Roanoke last Sunday.

High winds yesterday and last night carried the flames many miles and in their sweep a number of barns and other buildings were destroyed and other damage was done. Last night and today hundreds of people were in the mountains fighting fire.

State Commissioner of Agriculture G. W. Kohner has suffered considerable loss to his orchards. At one time last night the fire was within ten feet of the fence surrounding the grounds of Virginia College. The fire is not so fierce tonight.

ENTIRE NAVY SUNK.

Honduras' One "Warship" Comes to Grief in Collision.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW ORLEANS, LA., Nov. 5.—The entire navy of Honduras was sunk by collision with a fruit boat, according to passengers arriving today from British Honduras. The Tatumbla, the one "man of war," which the republic boasted, sank near Porte Cortes.

As the accident occurred close to shore no lives were lost. The Tatumbla was a transformed tug boat.

Negroes Taken Away Safely.
(By Associated Press.)
GASSAWAY, W. VA., Nov. 5.—The two negroes who were under arrest here in connection with the brutal assault on Mrs. Albert Lockhold at Exchange, near here last Wednesday early this morning were taken from the jail here, placed aboard a special train and started for the county prison at Sutton, W. Va.

Richmond Beats Wake Forest.
(By Associated Press.)
WAKE FOREST, N. C., Nov. 5.—Richmond College defeated Wake Forest 5 to 0 in a hard fought football game here today. The teams were evenly matched. The touchdown was made on a fake forward pass by Richmond.